

## The Order of Worship

**Centering Words:** Waiting is seldom easy. Yet, in the process of waiting, we discover new growth. The Spirit moves and breathes, and treasures are sometimes discovered. As we wait this day, may God's miraculous presence be revealed in us and through us.

### ENTRANCE

#### Gathering

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude**

*Step by Step*

- Rich Mullins

Cecelia Miller & Jan Hoener, soloists

**Lighting of the Altar Candles**

#### \*Call to Worship

*Leader:* Waiting and hoping, we gather together,

*People:* **seeking God's presence and singing God's praise.**

Waiting and hoping, we come now to worship,

**praying and listening for the Spirit's guidance.**

Waiting and hoping, we gather together,

**seeking God's presence and singing God's praise.**

#### \*Hymn of Praise

*Cry of My Heart*

TFWS 2165

#### \*Affirmation of Faith

*A Modern Affirmation*

UMH 885

#### Opening Prayer (*seated and in unison*)

**Holy One, your kingdom always takes us by surprise –**

**like a mustard seed growing into a great shrub**

**where the birds of the air can build their nests;**

**like a treasure hidden in a field, or a pearl of great price.**

**May we desire your kingdom more than we value worldly things,  
through Christ, who shows us the way. Amen.**

### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

#### Children's Message

Myra Wagner

#### Prayer for Illumination

**First Lesson**

*I Kings 3:5-12*

Pew Bible p. 266-267

#### Sharing of Joys and Concerns and Pastoral Prayer

##### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

#### Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

**Offertory**

*See Ye First*

- Karen Lafferty

Cecelia Miller & Jan Hoener, soloists

#### \*The Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**

**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

#### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Giver of all good gifts,**

**help us be kingdom builders as we offer our gifts to the world.**

**May our gifts be like treasure in a field**

**for those waiting for new life.**

**May our offerings be like yeast**

**for those hungering for their daily bread.**

**Bless our lives and our giving,**

**that we might be part of the great mystery of kingdom building,**

**in a world waiting to be remade. Amen.**

#### Second Lesson

*Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52*

Pew Bible p. 795

#### \*Hymn of Preparation

*I Am Thine, O Lord*

UMH 419

#### Sermon

Rev. George Winkfield

### SENDING FORTH

#### \*Hymn of Commitment

*Just a Little Talk with Jesus*

W&S 3107

#### \*Carrying the Light of Christ into the World

#### \*Dismissal with Blessing

#### \*Postlude

#### \*Going Forth

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*\*Please rise in posture or spirit*

TFWS: *The Faith We Sing*

UMH: *U.M. Hymnal*

***Bold print: in unison***

W&S: *Worship and Song*

Welcome! Warm greetings and love in Christ are extended to all members and guests.

*If you presently have no church home,  
we hope you will consider making Loch Raven Church your home.*

Thank you for signing the pew registration book.

*(Addresses, phone numbers, & email addresses help us to personally thank you for your visit.)*

Please call the Church Office if you have any questions or if we can be of assistance to you.

**We appreciate the services today of:**

**Greeters:** Jen Dorsey  
**Acolyte:** Usher  
**Liturgist:** Theresa Alaeze  
**Ushers:** Brian Miller, Joyce Deitrich,

Children's Activity Sheets are available in the Narthex.

**Large print bulletins are available. See an usher.**

**Altar Flowers**

The bowl is given by the Merrill Harrison  
in celebration of Dellroy's life.

The vases are given by Brian & Cecelia Miller  
in loving memory of his son, Bob, on his birthday.

**Ministries of Loch Raven Church**

**Prayers:** Please pray daily for our brothers and sisters in Christ and those on the Prayer List. The member to remember this week is Mrs. Ardith Lutrell.

**Presence:** 107

**July 23, 2017**

**Gifts:** \$8,636.05

**LRUMC Mission Statement**

“Loch Raven United Methodist Church is a multicultural community of faith, called by God to be a living witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ by serving as stewards of God's gifts and blessings. We minister through worship, learning, fellowship and mission to the community.”

**MINISTERS & EVANGELISTS:**

The People of Loch Raven United Methodist Church

**LEAD PASTOR:** Rev. George Winkfield, 301-379-4616 cell, PastorWinkfield@Gmail.com

**PASTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL CARE:** Rev. Wayne Harting, 443-966-0244 cell

**ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY:** Anne McCorkle Garrett

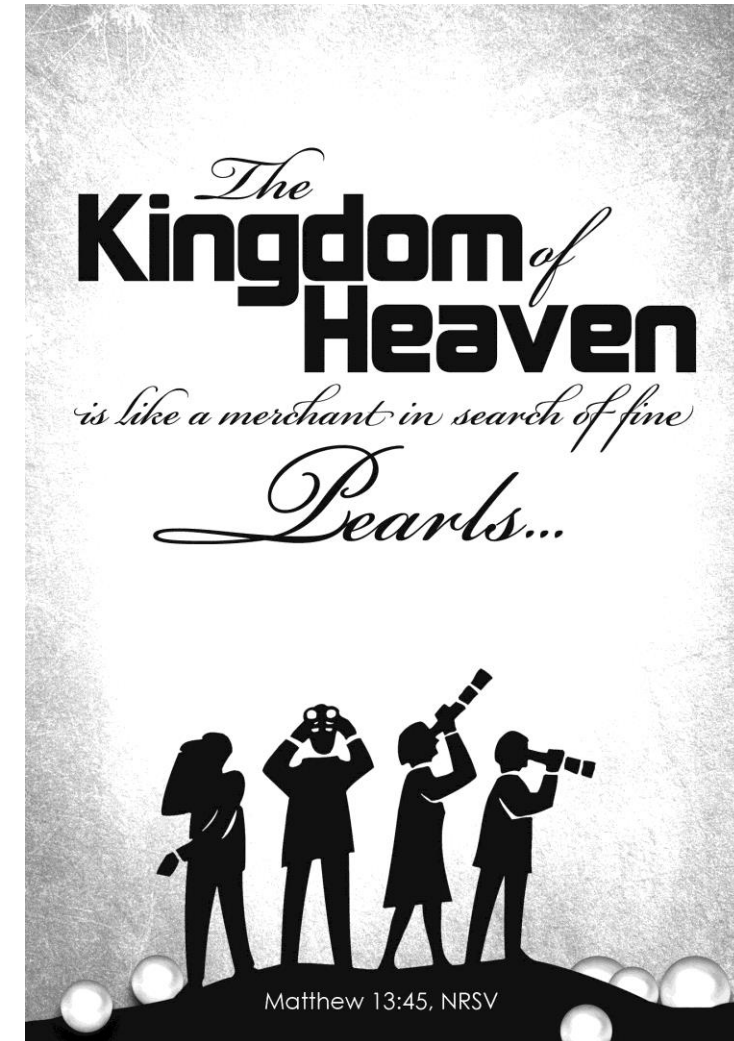
**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:** Samuel Chin

**ORGANIST:** Patricia Gould

**CHILD CARE PROVIDER:** Amy Price

## Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

July 30, 2017



## Loch Raven United Methodist Church

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### ***New Prayer Requests***

The family of Edy Pratt's nephew *(by Maria Stockton-Porter 7/24)*

The family of Estelle Batra *(by Sheila Wyche 7/20)*

Deborah Henschen *(by Linda Cole 7/23)*

Doris and Lorraine *(by Jean Oberia 7/23)*

Chris Coquia *(by Marcia Smith 7/23)*

Don Ely *(by Bill Bratton 7/23)*

### ***Recent Prayer Requests***

Rebecca Mickey *(7/16)*

Deborah Henschen *(by Linda Cole 7/16)*

Johnny Tolliver *(by Edy Pratt 7/16)*

Carol McCorkle *(by Anne McCorkle Garrett 7/17)*

Buddy Schwartz *(by Patti Ferguson 7/12)*

Tom Williams *(by Patti Ferguson & Debi Wynn 7/9)*

Christopher Blair *(by Judy Feustle 7/9)*

Debbie Morgan *(by Joyce Johnson 7/2)*

Roland Grant *(by Joyce Johnson 7/2)*

Janie & Judy Johnson *(by Maria Stockton-Porter 7/2)*

Myra Wagner *(7/2)*

Edward Smith *(by Judy Zahren 6/28)*

## **Lectionary Readings for the Coming Week**

### **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

*6 August 2017*

- First reading and Psalm
  - Genesis 32:22-31
  - Psalm 17:1-7, 15
- Alternate First reading and Psalm
  - Isaiah 55:1-5
  - Psalm 145:8-9, 14-21
- Second reading
  - Romans 9:1-5
- Gospel
  - Matthew 14:13-21

*Prayer requests will be held for one month, unless requested otherwise.*

## Church Calendar for the Week of July 30

Sunday	10:00 a.m. after worship 12:30 a.m.	<b>Sunday Worship</b> <b>Fellowship Time</b> St. Paul's Ghana Methodist Church	Sanctuary Fellowship Hall Sanctuary
Monday – Friday	7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.	IMPROVE Summer Camp <b>Vacation Bible School</b> <i>Passport to Peru</i>	
<i>Mondays</i>		<i>Pastor's Sabbath</i>	
Tuesday	6:15 p.m.	Aerobics	Auditorium
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	<b>Trustees</b>	Parlor
Thursday	6:15 p.m.	Aerobics	Auditorium
Friday	10:30 a.m.	AI-Anon	Fellowship Hall
Saturday	10:00 a.m.	St. Paul's Choir Rehearsal	Room 210

## Upcoming Events

Aug. 14	7:00 p.m.	<b>Missions Cmte.</b>	Sandi's house 1811 Edgewood Rd.
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## Sharing, Caring, and Studying Opportunities

We thank **Donald Wolcott, our guest pianist** this morning!

We will be collecting **school supplies** for **Abbottston Elementary**, as well as for the **community** through 3 September: #2 pencils, Kleenex, hand sanitizer, pump hand soap, file folders, two-pocket folders with prongs, marble notebooks, and dry erase markers. Other supplies, such as crayons, scissors, paper, are welcomed for our community give away. Boxes are located in the Narthex and in Fellowship Hall. Or if you prefer, Amy will also be collecting monetary donations. If you are interested in volunteering at Abbottston, Cathy Miles will be having training for reading or math help, and breakfast or lunch help: [cjmiles@bcps.k12.md.us](mailto:cjmiles@bcps.k12.md.us) or 443-388-6096.

**Food Collections** - During this July missions season, donations are needed for ACTC of canned fruit. Please place items in collection boxes outside Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

Our Passport to Peru **Vacation Bible School** will be held from July 31st through August 4th from 9 to 12:30. We need volunteers to help with Registration, Bible Story, Music, Arts & Crafts, & Snacks. Donation Requests: empty paper towel rolls or empty gift wrapping rolls, colorful throw rugs or blankets, different color streamers, different color plastic tablecloths.

The **July/August Upper Rooms** are available in the narthex and sanctuary hallway. The requested donation is \$1.00 for regular print, \$2.00 for large print, in the Narthex or Office.

If you would like to be added to an e-mail or mail list, or change how you receive the Spire, please notify the office. We will print a new **directory** soon, so let us know of any updates, such as a mobile phone or e-mail address. E-mail or drop them in the Office mailbox.

Please contact the church office before scheduling events, so we can check the official **church calendar** and put you on it! E-mail [Office@LRUMC.org](mailto:Office@LRUMC.org) or call 410-825-0900.

**Bulletins** – Submissions for items to be included in the bulletin would be greatly appreciated by Tuesday. They can be e-mailed to [Office@LRUMC.org](mailto:Office@LRUMC.org) or dropped off in the Office mailbox in the downstairs hallway.